

## **EMERGENCY ORDER**

## IN AND FOR THE CITY OF SEQUIM, WASHINGTON

No. 2020-18A

Regarding amending Section 5 of Emergency Order 2020-18 regarding inspection processes.	
Policy/Budget (Council)	City Clerk use only: Presented to Council
Administrative (City Manager)	

On March 16, 2020, at a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Sequim, the City Council issued a Proclamation of Civil Emergency due to the novel corona virus (COVID-19) outbreak that was identified as a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020.

The Proclamation of Civil Emergency was issued pursuant to Sequim Municipal Code 2.60, RCW 35A.38.010, and RCW 38.52.070(2) based on the public health threat posed by COVID-19, and is consistent with concurrent emergency declarations issued by the President of the United States and the Governor of the State of Washington.

On April 27, 2020, the City Manager signed Emergency Order (EO) 2020-18 regarding Governor Inslee's Proclamation Addendum 20-25 regarding Phase 1 construction activities, which was then ratified by the City Council on May 26, 2020.

On July 27, 2020, the City determined that the inspection schedule described in Section 5 of EO 18 should be amended due to improved logistics.

All other provisions of EO 2020-18 remain in full force and effect.

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED THAT:

Section 1. Amend Section 5 of Emergency Order 2020-18. This section is amended to read as follows:

Inspections Under Phase I Construction. Community Development and Public Works inspections will continue only for construction authorized under Section 3 of Emergency Order 2020-18. Inspections via video or photographs may be allowed as determined at the applicable inspector's sole discretion. Community Development inspections are only available Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday between 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. For all onsite inspections, contractors must give 24-hour notice before the requested inspection is to occur. These departments are operating with minimal or remote staffing, so while staff strive to be timely, do not expect normal response times. At the time of the inspection, all onsite workers must maintain a minimum of distance of 10 feet from the inspector at all times. All workers onsite must leave the inspection area for the duration of the inspection. Failure to keep minimum physical distancing and comply with



approved safety plans may result in the inspector terminating the inspection at the inspector's sole discretion. If the inspection is terminated for failure to comply with these physical distancing requirements or any requirements in the approved safety plans as specified in Phase I, the inspector at the inspector's sole discretion may assess reinspection fees to the contractor. Inspectors will review plans on their own devices and will sign off on the City's inspection cards, as appropriate, and contact the contractor regarding whether the inspection has been signed off or corrections are required. This section supersedes and replaces all prior versions in their entirety.

The remaining provisions of EO 2020-18 are unchanged at this time.

**Section 2. Presentation, Ratification, Termination.** Emergency Orders issued under the March 16, 2020 Proclamation of Civil Emergency will be filed with the Legal Department and presented by the City Clerk as soon as practicable to the City Council for ratification and confirmation, modification, or rejection, if applicable.

Rejected orders will be void after the Council vote rejecting them.

Until such time as Council acts, Emergency Orders will be considered in full force and effect.

**Section 3. Duration.** Unless modified, extended, or terminated by the Sequim City Council or Sequim City Manager as applicable, this Emergency Order is effective immediately and remains in effect until such time as all applicable orders and proclamations are lifted.

SIGNED this 27th day of J. 19, 2020, at 3:50 hours.

CITY OF SEQUIM
Charles P. Bush, City Manager

Approved asyto form:

Attest:

Kristina Nelson-Gross, City Attorney

Sara McMillon, City Clerk